

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a Medicaid pilot project for hyperbaric oxygenation treatment; to  
2 provide for a report to legislative management; to provide an appropriation; and to declare an  
3 emergency.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. PILOT PROJECT - MEDICAID HYPERBARIC OXYGENATION**

6 **TREATMENT - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.**

- 7 1. During the 2019-21 biennium, the department of human services shall conduct a  
8 Medicaid hyperbaric oxygenation pilot project. As necessary, the department shall  
9 apply for federal waivers to implement this section.
- 10 2. The pilot project:
- 11 a. May be administered by a third party;
  - 12 b. May include coverage of wraparound services, such as temporary housing, at  
13 rates established by the department;
  - 14 c. May set provider reimbursement rates; and
  - 15 d. May be limited in scope to a Medicaid recipient who:
    - 16 (1) Has been diagnosed with a severe traumatic brain injury;
    - 17 (2) Meets any pretreatment assessments, such as a neuro-optic assessment;
    - 18 (3) Agrees to comply with a treatment program that may include additional  
19 medical treatments, such as laboratory work;
    - 20 (4) Has a support system to assist in continuity of care, which may include  
21 assisting with transportation and monitoring the recipient to report positive  
22 and negative changes; and
    - 23 (5) Agrees to comply with a posttreatment assessment, such as a post-diving  
24 assessment.

1           3.   Periodically, the department shall report to the legislative management on the status of  
2                   the program, including treatment outcomes and fiscal data.

3           **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general  
4 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$335,000, or so much of the  
5 sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of  
6 implementing the Medicaid hyperbaric oxygenation treatment pilot project, for the biennium  
7 beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021.

8           **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.